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FOR BUSH FROM HABIB

1. WE UNDERSTAND YOUR POINT. IF CH'IAO KUAN-HUA COMES TO THE UN, THE SECRETARY WILL VERY LIKELY HAVE A SESSION WITH HIM AS IN THE PAST, AND THE PRESIDENT'S TRIP WOULD CERTAINLY BE DISCUSSED. HOWEVER, DEPENDING ON HOW OUR OWN THINKING ABOUT THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT DEVELOPS, WE DOUBT THAT CONVERSATIONS IN NEW YORK WOULD SUFFICE. CH'IAO WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO BRING WITH HIM SUFFICIENT AUTHORITY AND WOULD NOT HAVE THE FAST ACCESS TO HIGHER-LEVEL GUIDANCE WHICH IS POSSIBLE IN PEKING. ALSO, A NEW YORK DISCUSSION - EVEN SEVERAL SESSIONS - WOULD NOT PROVIDE ENOUGH PROTECTED

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TIME TO GAME PLAN THE PRESIDENT'S TRIP IN DETAIL.

2. NEVERTHELESS, WE'LL KEEP OUR OPTIONS OPEN AND WILL LET
YOU KNOW AS THINKING BACK HERE CRYSTALIZES FURTHER. KISSINGER

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